

OFFICIAL MINUTES
LAKE WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 414
Board of Directors' Meeting
March 2, 2015

The board meeting was called to order by Legislative Representative Siri Bliesner at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Members present: Siri Bliesner, Chris Carlson, and Mark Stuart.

ROLL CALL

Members excused: Jackie Pendergrass and Nancy Bernard.

Present: Superintendent Traci Pierce.

Chris Carlson moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Mark Stuart.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion carried.

Mindy Mallon, Principal, Thoreau Elementary School, introduced the student choir who sang a song. Thoreau Elementary was opened 1970's and is currently under capacity. Following the boundary process, they will be welcoming additional families this coming fall. They have a very diverse student population and strive to meet their social, physical, and academic needs. Their mission is to foster the development of essential life skills which prepare, enlighten, empower, and awaken students to a world of life-long learning. Their vision is to have continued focus on best practices in teaching to maximize student learning. They accomplish this through a collective and collaborative environment. She thanked the PTSA for their efforts to support their school. Collectively, they work together to foster a positive environment by providing many enrichment opportunities for students. They have formed community partnerships with Rotary Club, Eastside Assistance League/Operation School Bell, Bastyr University which help to support students and families.

HOST SCHOOL

THOREAU ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Each month, they focus on a different life skill. They have a culture of collaboration to improve student achievement. They share leadership to unpack and align the Common Core State Standards across the grade levels and use data to drive instructional strategies. They are seeing significant gains at every grade level and working to refine the collection of assessments and continuing to monitor progress toward targeted goals. They engage in professional development to learn more about best practices in teaching literacy and new curriculum.

Siri Bliesner read a proclamation proclaiming the week of March 10-15, 2014 as classified school employee appreciation week.

Several people shared their concern with the Lake Washington High School boys varsity baseball team being required to play their home games at Lake Washington High School rather than using the Lee Johnson field at Peter Kirk park. They shared it has been a long-honored tradition playing at this field. The school's field is not lighted and, therefore, games must be played right after school so many parents and community members would not be able to attend.

Dr. Pierce related that she would have her team look into this situation.

Several other parents shared their concern with the movement of the special education program from Lakeview to Franklin elementary school. They shared that their students have had been moved several times and the transition can be difficult on this population.

Dr. Pierce conveyed that the superintendent report would be moved ahead on the agenda to provide an update on the program process. She noted that there are two distinct processes which just recently occurred: boundary and program placement. Special education programs serve students from multiple schools and the district tries to place those programs in each learning community where there is space available. Each year, staff looks at locations for special education and other programs. Dr. Pierce highlighted where changes had been made over the last several years. Program moves are made on an annual basis. Staff work with administration at both the current and proposed school to make the transition smooth for students, families, and staff. It was necessary to make a program move to Franklin at this time where there was an opportunity to house this program at that location for a number of years. She indicated that staff will work to ensure a smooth transition for both students and parents.

RECOGNITION

PROCLAMATION -
CLASSIFIED SCHOOL
EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION
WEEK, MARCH 10-14, 2014

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chris Carlson moved to approve the consent agenda. Seconded
by Mark Stuart.

CONSENT AGENDA

Chris Carlson, yes; Siri Bliesner, yes; and Mark Stuart, yes.

Motion carried.

The following February 2015 vouchers were approved:

APPROVAL OF
VOUCHERS

General Fund

347873-348128 \$4,929,862.81

Payroll

2356-2360 \$351.29

Accounts Payable Direct Deposit \$ 14,370,261.53

Acquisition Card 1,243,003.14

Deferred Comp 78,483.00

Department of Revenue 70,954.72

Dept. of Retirement Systems 1,463,546.40

Dept. of Retirement Systems 713,863.54

Flex Spending 47,541.38

Payroll Direct Deposit 9,055,195.33

Payroll Tax Withdrawal 3,283,805.27

Sodexo 65,060.75

TSA Envoy 261,093.20

VEBA 2,686.79

Vision/Northwest Benefit Network 46,799.95

Key Bank Processing Fees \$ 623.26

\$30,702,918.26

Capital Projects

35343-35390 \$930,982.79

ASB

58234-58342 \$46,603.16

Transportation Vehicle Fund

\$0.00

Private Purpose Trust Fund

2016-2046 \$4,683.00

Approves minutes of the February 9, 2015 work session and
board meeting.

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Approves March 2, 2015 Human Resources Report.

APPROVAL OF HUMAN
RESOURCES REPORT

Approves an out of endorsement assignment per WAC 181-82-110 for Andrew Ivy to be placed in an English assignment at Lake Washington High School.

OUT-OF-ENDORSEMENT
ASSIGNMENT WAIVER

Approves the monitoring report for EL-2, Emergency CEO Succession, as presented.

MONITOR BOARD POLICY

EL-2, EMERGENCY CEO
SUCCESSION

Approves the monitoring report for EL-4, Annual Report and District Calendar, as presented.

EL-4, ANNUAL REPORT
AND DISTRICT
CALENDAR

Approves the monitoring report for EL-13, Facilities, as presented.

EL-13, FACILITIES

Approves the following instructional materials for use in the Lake Washington schools –

INSTRUCTIONAL
MATERIALS ADOPTION

Title: Bookflix
Publisher: Grolier.com
No. of Copies: 1 License
Price: \$949.00 (Silver Package) \$1,259.00 (Gold Package)
School Requesting: Alcott Elementary
Classification: K-3

Title: BrainPop
Publisher: FWD Media Inc. d b/a BrainPop
No. of Copies: 1 License
Price: \$2,095 with possible additional \$495.00 for ESL supplement
School Requesting: Alcott Elementary
Classification: K-5

Accepts the donations/grants as identified -
Acceptance from Lake Washington Schools Foundation to Juanita Elementary in the amount of \$2,090.00 to provide stipends for Reaching for Success program.

DONATIONS

Acceptance from Ben Franklin PTSA to Franklin Elementary in the amount of \$1,979.00 to support registration for staff seminars.

Acceptance from Lakeview Elementary PTSA to Lakeview Elementary in the amount of \$12,000.00 to purchase netbooks and cart.

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Acceptance from Margaret Mead Elementary PTSA to Mead Elementary in the amount of \$6,000.00 to purchase and install chain link fence.

Acceptance from Norman Rockwell PTSA to Rockwell Elementary in the amount of \$3,311.37 to purchase headphones (\$2,721.09), two color printers (\$492.72), and emergency preparedness supplies (\$97.56).

Acceptance from Rose Hill Elementary PTSA to Rose Hill Elementary in the amount of \$1,325.00 to purchase xylophones for the music department (\$1,000.00), and P.E. supplies (\$325.00).

Acceptance from Samantha Smith PTSA to Smith Elementary in the amount of \$2,936.39 to provide stipend for choir (\$2,384.00), and purchase equipment for P.E. (\$552.39).

Acceptance from Carl Sandburg PTSA to Sandburg Elementary in the amount of \$3,500.00 to purchase DreamBox Learning math enrichment site license.

Acceptance from H.D. Thoreau Elementary PTSA to Thoreau Elementary in the amount of \$2,000.00 to support continuous improvement plan.

Acceptance from Laura Ingalls Wilder Elementary PTSA to Wilder Elementary in the amount of \$6,265.80 to provide stipends for Math Olympiad, motor skills and jump rope club.

Acceptance from Rose Hill Middle School PTSA to Rose Hill Middle in the amount of \$2,162.09 to purchase Step Up to Writing site license.

Acceptance from Kang Gridiron Club to Lake Washington High in the amount of \$22,000.00 to support general athletics.

TOTAL \$ 65,569.65

Dr. Pierce, and Mark Stuart and Siri Bliesner attended the WASA/WSSDA/WSABO Legislative Conference in Olympia. Siri Bliesner reported that they had an opportunity to receive an update on the current state of education and meet with legislators. How the legislature will address funding for the McCleary decision is playing a big role in this legislative session. Mark Stuart noted that the big issue is finding the funding. He encouraged people to contact their legislators.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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Chris Carlson requested that Dr. Pierce follow-up with the board on the Lake Washington High School field issue raised earlier in the meeting.

BOARD FOLLOW-UP

Chris Carlson moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mark Stuart.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Jackie Pendergrass, President

Traci Pierce, Superintendent

Diane Jenkins
Recording Secretary